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For: PRINTING DATA MANAGEMENT DEVICE, MEMORY MEDIUM WHICH STORES
PRINTING DATA MANAGEMENT DEVICE, MEMORY MEDIUM WHICH STORES
USER'S CARD DATA, AND PRINTING DATA USAGE METHOD

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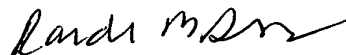
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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- ☒ 3. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.

- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English language translation of the attached Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference Nos. 4-6.
- ☒ 5. A co-pending U.S. patent application is identified on Form PTO 1449 of this Information Disclosure Statement. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider each cited application and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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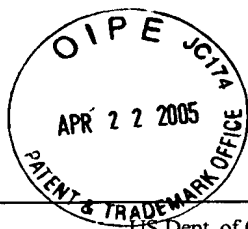
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